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VAN BUREN MAN IS SPEAKER PRO TEM

REPRESENTATIVE LYNN J LEWIS
HONORED AT OPENING
SESSION OF LEGISLATURE ON WED-
NESDAY.

PRODUCT OF VAN BUREN CO.

Born in Bangor. Taught School and
Graduated from Law Department
of University of Michigan.

Lynn J. Lewis of Bangor, repre-
sentative in the Legislature for Van
Buren county was honored at the open-
ing session of that body last Wednes-
day by being elected as Speaker Pro
Tem of the House. The position is
not only an honor to Mr. Lewis but a
credit to the county in which he was
born and which he now represents.



Mr. Lewis was born in Bangor on
June 3, 1876. His parents still reside
there. He taught school in the schools
of the county from 1893 to 1898 in-
clusive, and in the fall of 1899 entered
the law department of the U. of M.
from which he was graduated in 1901.
He "Hung out his Shingle" in Bangor,
and still continues to reside there.
In 1895 he was married to Miss Nellie
Gray of Arlington, daughter of Mr.
and Mrs. Joseph Gray previously re-
sidents of Paw Paw township. They
have one child, Miss Lucile who was a
Christmas graduate this year of the
Michigan State Normal college of
Ypsilanti.

Mr. Lewis has served one term in
the Legislature and is just starting
his second term. During the last ses-
sion he was a member of the Judiciary,
Elections and State Public Schools
committees and chairman of the im-
portant Village Corporations Com-
mittee. Following is a brief history of
the bills introduced by him during the
last session.

House Bill No. 9 and No. 171.
Object--To permit Mutual Telephone
Companies to build, operate, and ex-
tend their lines without restraint of
the Michigan Railroad Commission as
to territory. Owing to the opposition
of the Commission neither Bill came
out of the hands of the Committee
on Private Corporations.

House Bill No. 15. Object--This
Bill provided for repeal of the present
Mortgage Tax Law, and for the en-
actment of a Tax provision of 1 per
cent annual tax on all real estate
Mortgages and Land contracts. Killed
in Committee.

House Bill Nos. 32 and 453. Object
Provided for repeal of Act of 1913--
the Non-resident Angler's License
Law and re-enacted a similar Law,
providing some changes, such as rais-
ing the age limit of 21 years, and pro-
viding for the sale of License by all
Village, City, Township and County
Clerks, and the purchase of License

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ONLY ONE NEW FACE AT THE COURT HOUSE

One would scarcely notice that Jan-
uary second was the beginning of new
terms of office for the officials of Van
Buren County, as the only new face
at the Court House is that of H. H.
Adams, the new Prosecuting Attorney.
The routine work of the other offices
progresses without any break, as all
the officers are beginning second
terms and are familiar with all their
duties.

RUSSELL HINDENACH IS FIRST ALTERNATE

Russell Hindenach of this place
was one of the Paw Paw boys who
took the examination recently for ap-
pointment to a scholarship at the
Naval Academy at Annapolis, Md.
He received word the first of the week
from Congressman Hamilton that he
had passed a successful examination,
and had been appointed first alternate.
He will take a further examination at
Kalamazoo on February seventeenth,
and if successful there, will take a
further and final examination at the
Naval Academy at some later date.
Russell is the son of Mr. and Mrs.
Al Hindenach, is sixteen years of age
and a junior in the Paw Paw High
school. His success in the Niles ex-
amination reflects much credit on the
young man, and he is receiving many
congratulations from his friends to
which he is justly entitled.

CHARLES T. MASON DIED ON TUESDAY

BROTHER OF WM. H. MASON,
WAS BORN AND RAISED HERE.
HAS GAINED PROMINENCE IN
CHICAGO.

Charles T. Mason, former resident
of Paw Paw and a brother of our es-
teemed townsman, Wm. H. Mason,
passed away quite suddenly at his
home at 3557 Grand Boulevard, Chi-
cago last Tuesday morning. He was
born here, on January 16th, 1866, and
graduated from the public schools
here. After being admitted to the
Bar, he started practice of the law
in Chicago, and has gained consid-
erable prominence in legal and political
circles of that city. He was county
civil service commissioner from 1907
to 1910, vice president of the Chauncey
P. Dewey Cattle Company of
Kansas, secretary of the Lake County
Agricultural company of Indiana, and
of the Pneumatic Gate Company of
Chicago. He was married in 1890
to Miss Lulu Van Horn, who survives
him. They have two sons and two
daughters. He was one of the ex-
ecutive committee of the Second Ward
Republican club. Services were held
at Boydston's chapel, 4229 Cottage
Grove Avenue Thursday at two p. m.
They were conducted by the Rev. My-
ron E. Adams, assisted by the Rev.
John P. Brushingham, both close per-
sonal friends of Mr. Mason.

Nearly every summer with his fam-
ily he has spent during later years at
North's Cottage at Three Mile Lake,
where he could enjoy the fishing and
rest near the scenes of his boyhood
days. He was well known here and
liked by everyone. Mrs. Wm. H.
Mason left for Chicago Wednesday
to attend the funeral services.

"DOINGS" AT PUGSLEY HOME

Time, Friday night December 29th.
Place, the home of M. H. Pugsley.
Occasion, Clifford was home from the
M. A. C. for the holidays, also another
very important milestone for M. H.
Company, about thirty young people
of Gliddenburg. Strange thing they
all arrived at once, by various forms
of transportation. Clifford was just
ready to start for town to attend the
Basket Ball game. Mrs. M. H. was
"next" to the "doings" and in five
minutes the house was illuminated
and everything looked like a premed-
itated party. There were plenty of
"eats" and lots of fun.

W. R. C. INSTALL OFFICERS

Last Monday evening the W. R. C.
installed the following newly elected
officers:

President	Martha Wilson
Senior Vice	Dollie Conner
Junior Vice	Alice Smith
Secretary	Bertha Loveland
Treasurer	Mary McCon
Chaplin	Cordelia Libbie
Conductor	Mary Taylor
Guard	Mrs. Weatherwax
Patriotic Instructor	Mrs. A. Hurlbut
Press Correspondent	Susie Casey
1st. Color Bearer	Anna Reed
2nd. Color Bearer	Sarah Rix
3rd. Color Bearer	Phoebe Smith
4th. Color Bearer	Mrs. Cleveland

High Class Evangelists

That will Conduct Tabernacle Meetings in Paw Paw

When the pastors of Paw Paw be-
gan to consider the advisability of a
great union evangelistic campaign,
they realized the great importance of
securing the right Evangelists. They
corresponded very extensively, mak-
ing inquiry about them, and were de-
lighted with the universal praise of
these distinguished people, from the
highest source in the country. The
following letter from the Rev. G. L.
Powell, Ph. D., D. D., the Editor of
the Northern Christian Advocate of
Syracuse, N. Y., who is known far
and wide as a man of intellectual ab-
ility and Christian culture, should
have great weight with the citizens
of Paw Paw.

"It is with unfeigned pleasure
that I reply to your enquiry regard-
ing Dr. and Mrs. J. H. McCombe. I
have known these servants of the
Lord for several years and can heart-
ily recommended them as the most
successful and efficient and most de-
voted workers in the evangelistic
field, and I have a large acquaintance
with Evangelists from ocean to ocean.
"They are genuine to the core and

wherever they labor, great revivals
are the results. They are safe, sane
wholesome in all they say and do.
You can put implicit confidence in
them. Their work is permanent and
when they leave a city or a town,
Christian work becomes easier.

I have been through two campaigns
with them and would gladly go
through as many more and then some.
Mrs. McCombe is the ablest and most
eloquent woman speaker I have ever
heard. She is a marvel and her in-
fluence with the young people is re-
markable. Hundreds of them give
themselves to God through her in-
fluence and leadership. She and her
husband are fine singers. I wish
that you could hear them--a mighty
fine team. Dr. McCombe is a great
preacher. Sweet, persuasive, elo-
quent sympathetic, common sense and
filled with the Holy Spirit. He is a
manly, genial lovable fellow, and ap-
peals to men who have any manhood
in them. Your committee cannot
possibly make a mistake in engaging
them. They are ne plus ultra."

PURELY LOCAL NEWS

Word comes from Detroit that Ber-
nice Isabelle, the eighteen month old
daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Ben-
sley died from pneumonia last Satur-
day night in a hospital in Detroit.
Mr. and Mrs. Bensley formerly lived
in Paw Paw, and went from here to
Kalamazoo, later moving to Detroit.
Bernice was a sweet lovable child and
her death leaves the parents grief
stricken.

J. A. Rollston of Mattawan was in
Paw Paw Tuesday, and while here had
his name added to The True Norther-
ner's subscription list.

Wm. Harriet came home from Pon-
tiac to spend the holidays. He re-
ports work plentiful there, and says
all the Paw Paw boys are busy at
good wages.

Attorney Bret Cockett of Decatur
was in Paw Paw on business Tues-
day.

Albert Davidson of Chicago came
last Saturday and remained over Sun-
day with his wife's parents, Mr. and
Mrs. Matthew Dillon.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Epley entertain-
ed last Sunday evening and over New
Years day, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Cowie
and grand-daughter Olga of South
Bend, Mr. and Mrs. Luther McCrumb
and daughter Ella of Kalamazoo and
Mr. and Mrs. F. N. Wakeman of Paw
Paw.

The following Paw Paw people en-
joyed New Years day at the hospi-
table home of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Wil-
dey in Augusta, Michigan. Messrs.
and Mesdames E. F. Parks, B. F. War-
ner, W. F. Hoyt, W. C. Wildey, V. A.
Lepper, M. L. Barber and Mrs. Louise
Thayer.

Mrs. Mary A. Lee has gone to Mis-
hawa, Indiana to visit a brother.

Mrs. S. J. Lindsley has returned
from Kalamazoo and is again at home
in Paw Paw.

Only a dozen Bed Blankets left at
the bargain prices. If you want one
get it now. Lavery's Variety Store.
(adv)

Frank Butterfield and family of
Waverly and Olin Butterfield of Has-
tings were guests of Percy Orton and
family last week.

Miss Emily Burt entertained the
members of the Blue Bird class to a
sleigh ride last Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. John Smith entertain-
ed on New Years day.

Dr. J. C. Maxwell had the misfor-
tune to lose the crank to his auto-
mobile somewhere on the streets of
Paw Paw last Wednesday morning.
He went over the ground soon after
losing it, but some one had evidently
picked it up. The Doctor would be
very grateful for its return.

Mrs. J. A. Vary of Covert is the
guest of her parents Mr. and Mrs. V.
A. Lepper this week.

PAW PAW BOY TAKES BRIDE IN INDIANA

Irwin Douglas, a former Paw Paw
boy, and son of Mr. and Mrs. Bert
Douglas was married the first of the
week to Miss Beatrice White of Argo,
Indiana. The ceremony was perform-
ed at the home of the brides father
in that city, in the presence of a few
relatives and intimate friends. Irwin
graduated from the Paw Paw schools
and later attended the business col-
lege at South Bend, Indiana. At
present he holds a responsible posi-
tion with the National Retail Hardware
Dealers Association in Argos, Indiana
with which firm he has been for the
past two years. The young couple
will be at home to their friends in
that city. The True Northerner joins
the Paw Paw friends in congratula-
tions.

FARM INSTITUTES TO COVER COUNTY

SECRETARY ANDERSON AN-
NOUNCES THREE WEEKS PRO-
GRAM OF INSTITUTES.

The Van Buren County Farmer's in-
stitutes are now being held throughout
Van Buren county. This week in-
stitutes were held at Kendall, Goble-
ville, Bloomingdale and Kibbie, with
County Farm Agent, Jason Woodman
of Kalamazoo, T. A. Farrand of Van
Buren county and J. W. Henceroth of
the Middle West Soil Improvement
association as speakers.

The dates for institutes and exten-
sion schools for the balance of the
month and the beginning of February
are as follows:

Keeler, Tuesday, January 9th.
Glendale, Wednesday, January 10th.
Grand Junction, Thursday January 11.
Covert, Friday, January 12th.

The speakers at the above group of
institutes will be County Farm
Agents Harry Lurkins of Berrien
county, and T. A. Farrand, and Prof.
Safro, an entomologist, who will give
special attention to insecticides.

Almena, Monday February 5th.
Decatur, Tuesday, February 6th.
Lawrence, Wednesday, February 7.

Extension Schools
Hartford, January 29, 30, 31, Feb-
ruary 1 and 2nd.

South Haven, February 7, 8, and 9.
Paw Paw, February 26, 27, 28,
March 1 and 2nd.

There will be a two day institute
at Bangor, probably about the middle
of February, but the exact dates are
not yet fixed.

WM. HALL RETIRES FROM LUMBER CO.

JOHN W. FREE SENIOR MEMBER
BUYS INTEREST AND FIRM
WILL HENCEFORTH BE KNOWN
AS FREE AND MUTCHLER
LUMBER COMPANY.

The Lumber and Coal firm of Free,
Hall and Mutchler henceforth will be
known as The Free and Mutchler
company. The change in title is
caused by the retirement of one mem-
ber of the firm, Wm. H. Hall, who has
sold his interest in the company to the
senior member, John W. Free. The
writer is not advised as to Mr. Hall's
future plans, but it is to be sincerely
hoped that he may decide to remain in
Paw Paw, where he and his estimable
family have made many friends dur-
ing their residence here. Mr. Free
has been connected with this concern
for many years, the firm formerly be-
ing Free and Morrison.

About four years ago, the late Dan-
iel Morrison sold his interests in the
company to John Mutchler. The busi-
ness has grown and is now recognized
as one of the most substantial indus-
trial enterprises in the county. We
understand that the business of the
concern will be conducted along the
same lines in the future as in the past
catering to the public in all kinds of
building material and coal. As stated
in a recent issue, the company is
splendidly equipped to handle any
kind of a building job. To give per-
fect satisfaction and to compete in
prices with any similar institution in
the state.

Frank Taylor has sold his Paw Paw
residence to Bert Sheibley.

Mrs. Fred Ocobeck spent Tuesday
in Kalamazoo.

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TIME TO REPORT YOUR NET INCOME

IF MORE THAN \$3,000 LAW RE-
QUIRES STATEMENT TO BE
MADE TO COLLECTOR AT
GRAND RAPIDS.

MUST BE IN BEFORE MARCH 1

All Corporations Must Also Submit
Report. Blanks Furnished by E.
J. Doyle Collector, Grand Rapids.

The time has arrived when persons
who have an annual net income of
\$3,000 or more should prepare a state-
ment and report to the Collector at
Grand Rapids. This is required un-
der the Federal Income Tax Law, and
should be reported on or before March
first to avoid penalties and additional
tax.

The impression prevails that it is
unnecessary to report unless the in-
come exceeds \$4,000. This is wrong.
The law requires a report if the net
income amounts to \$3,000, but a mar-
ried man has no tax to pay unless his
income exceeds \$4,000. A single per-
son's exemption is \$3,000.

Generally speaking, income consists
of salary, profit or gain from profes-
sions, trades or partnerships, rents, in-
terest, dividends, royalties, and profits
from real estate or other dealings of
any sort.

There are certain allowable deduct-
ions consisting of interest and taxes
actually paid, losses, worthless debts,
depletions and depreciations.

As a general rule, professional men
such as doctors, dentists, and lawyers
should report.

Every individual, firm or corpora-
tion paying salaries, rents or interest
to any person in excess of \$3,000.
Should withhold the income tax there-
on unless the person receiving same
files an exemption claim in writing on
a form prescribed by the department.
A report on all such transactions
should be made to the collector on or
before the first of March. This in-
cludes all persons doing business for
another in the capacity of trustee, ex-
ecutor or administrator.

All corporations having a legal ex-
istence, including those inactive, must
report regardless of profits made and
losses sustained. The trustee of a
bankrupt corporation is required to
file a report.

Blanks for all purposes under the in-
come tax law are furnished upon ap-
plication to Emanuel J. Boyle, Collect-
or of Internal Revenues, Grand Rapids
Michigan, who will be glad to answer
any questions or furnish any infor-
mation desired concerning the income
tax law.

GLEANERS TO MEET

IN HARTFORD TUES.

The Van Buren County Federation
of Gleaners will hold a Rally at the
Town Hall in Hartford next Tuesday
January seventh. The forenoon com-
mencing at ten o'clock will be devoted
to a business session. The afternoon
will be an open meeting to which the
public is cordially invited. The prin-
cipal address will be given by John
Livingston of Detroit. T. A. Farrand
M. D. Buskirk of Paw Paw, and Miss
M. I. Conway and Fred Simpson of
Hartford are also on the program.
The evening session will be for glean-
ers only. The Hartford members
are making extensive preparations for
a big meeting. The Gleaners will be
there in force from all parts of the
county.

SHOWERMAN CLOSING OUT

The Showerman Bros. stock is now
in the hands of The Chicago Salvage
company, who have been engaged to
close out the business. As announced
some time ago, the Showerman Bro-
thers are about to retire from the mer-
cantile business in Paw Paw, and are
getting this assistance to assist them.
The Big Sale starts on Saturday Jan-
uary sixth, at nine a. m. Full details
will be found in a page "ad" on page
three of this issue. The readers of
The True Northerner are urged to
scan the same carefully.